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INVOLVEMENT OF PRIVATE SECTOR
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission propose to involve private sector in infrastructure development in irrigation sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) & (b): As per the Constitution, irrigation is a State subject and theresponsibility of planning, funding, execution and implementation of irrigation projects primarily lies with the concerned State Governments. However, the Planning Commission constituted a Working Group on the `Private Sector and BeneficiariesParticipation Programme` for the formulation of Tenth Five Year Plan (2002-07). The recommendation of this Working Group may be considered while formulating the Tenth Plan.